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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

1. The reply filed on 6 July 2004 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): the claims are to a different invention than those claimed in the original claims. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Election/Restrictions

2. Newly submitted claims 86-100 are directed to an invention that is independent or distinct from the invention originally claimed for the following reasons: the original claims were directed to a base game and a bonus game. No wagering was claimed. The current claims are drawn to a wagering game, but no bonus game is mentioned. This is a significant change in scope.

Since applicant has received an action on the merits for the originally presented invention, this invention has been constructively elected by original presentation for prosecution on the merits. Accordingly, claims 86-100 are withdrawn from consideration as being directed to a non-elected invention. See 37 CFR 1.142(b) and MPEP § 821.03.

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Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Corbett B. Coburn whose telephone number is (571) 272-4447. The examiner can normally be reached on 8-5:30, Monday-Friday, alternate Fridays off.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Derris Banks can be reached on (571) 272-4419. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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Examiner

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